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AND A METAL GATE ELECTRODE

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AMENDMENT

Dear Examiner:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed November 18, 2005. Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to enter this Preliminary Amendment and consider the following remarks.

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